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## Promoting Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (PWDs)

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Ambassador Wohlers gave remarks at an event to marking the International Day of PWDs jointly organized by USAID, the EU, the U.N. Resident Coordinator's Office, and a local NGO, Polio Plus. He emphasized that PWDs are also persons with great abilities who should have the same opportunity as anyone else to make contributions to their society and country. Minister of Labor and Social Policy Ristovski, E.U. Ambassador Orav, and U.N. Resident Coordinator Boyd also spoke. A representative of Polio Plus presented their report assessing the situation of PWDs since the UN Convention on the Rights of PWDs was ratified by Macedonia. The report will serve as the

baseline for the monitoring and evaluation of Macedonia's progress in implementing the Convention.